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JUNE 25. ORCHARD, British steamer, 2,089
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The illuminating apparatus is a four-sided
lens of 1000 mm. diameter, of 1000
watts, which is exhibited every forty-five
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flashes a single red flash.

The light house stands 460 yards South of
Hoihoi Bay, on the Island of Lantau, which is about
10 miles from the level of the sea, should
be visible in clear weather at a distance of 10 miles
in all directions. If not observed by land
the tower is round of iron with a total
height from its base to lantern vanes of 22 feet.
The tower, dwellings and boundary wall are
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Appointed position—
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LONGITUDE 110° 16' 10" E.

C. J. PRICE, Acting Harbour Master.

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Custom House, King's Wharf, 15th June 1894.

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ON BEHALF of the Chinese Com-
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hereby NOTIFY to the information of all whom it may concern as follows:

CUSTOM HOUSE

CHENGHO, June 23rd, 1894.

The Tax on each and every article of
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MEDICAL INSPECTION of and if
necessary, the QUARANTINING of, SHIP-
PING from Hongkong to CANTON, VES-
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H. ELIGAR HOBSON, Comptroller of Customs for
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Customs House, Kowloon, 15th June 1894.

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The situation in Korea at the present moment is undeniably critical. The mere fact of a rebellion breaking out in that misgoverned Kingdom would not of itself possess much importance outside its own boundaries. Another form of oppression might, after a more or less protracted struggle, replace the grinding tyranny of the King's minions, and foreigners would perhaps be neither better nor worse off in the end. Some arrangement of trade inevitably must attend any intercolonial war, and it might safely be predicted that for a time the country would be impoverished by the withdrawal of a considerable portion of the male population from their ordinary avocations, notably the tillage of the soil. But, this would probably be less felt in Korea, where so large a share of the manual labour is imposed on the female sex, than in some other countries, where the chief burden of productive labour is voluntarily borne by the men. Nevertheless, a civil war, even in the so-called Hymite Kingdom must be prejudicial to the gradually increasing foreign trade that has sprung up since the opening of its ports to Western commerce. So far the direct trade with Europe and America has been very limited. There are scarcely any European merchants or traders in the country, and the tendency hardly seems towards increase; but there is a considerable trade in foreign goods, conducted chiefly through the medium of Japanese merchants. The Japanese secured the first commercial foothold in Korea, and they seem well able to retain the position. For once the astute Celestials found himself not only forestalled, but also in a degree barreled out. The bulk of the export trade of Korea was not only acquired by the Japanese while the Cossack tortoise was fast asleep, but they have proved fully capable of holding on to the advantage gained by their enterprise and spirit.

The real danger of the present situation in the peninsula lies in the presence of two foreign armed forces, both avowedly there to protect national interests, and each resolved to see the other first out of the country. The Chinese have landed some 4,000 to 5,000 troops by means of the China Merchant's Steam Navigation Company's steamers at different points, and these forces have joined the King's troops with the object of crushing the rebellion. The pretext for sending them is sufficiently good and obvious. The King of Korea, a vassal of the Emperor KWANG-SE, is threatened with the loss of his throne by a rather formidable rising, and the Son of Heaven, fearing anarchy in the tributary state, a condition of things that might possibly invite armed interference on the part of other Powers, took prompt action to render this as unnecessary as possible by himself throwing troops into the Kingdom to help to restore order. But Japan, not actually possessing any rights of overlordship in Korea, has, as we have already pointed out, great commercial interests in the Kingdom, which she is prepared to defend by force if needful, and to that end

she, too, has despatched a strong body of military to Chemulpo and Seoul to protect those interests. The Japanese may be also well represented in Korea, there being some ten warships there, including the new and powerful fast cruiser *Yoshino*, which has only recently been acquired in England. The Japanese forces are at least as numerous and probably much better equipped than the Chinese, while their naval power is decidedly more imposing, and is, on account of the great speed of some of the vessels, probably better adapted to maintain their ascendancy on the Korean coasts. The Japanese also possess better means of transport, holding Tashima, and therefore being in command of the Korean Straits, goes far to counterbalance any advantage derived by China through her frontier being coterminous with that of Korea on the north.

So far there has been no actual collision between the two Powers, but the innumerable material exists in all too dangerous proximity, and a spark may at any moment produce explosion. In what light the Chinese Government regard the display of force made by Japan we have no means of accurately knowing, but there is very little doubt as to the sentiments entertained by Japan, as the Japanese newspapers are by no means clear of expressing opinions which at all events give a fair indication of the feeling in that country. The nominal reason put forward for the landing of the Japanese troops in Korea and the presence of a large naval force in Korean waters is the protection of Japanese trade and interests, and of course this plea must be accepted by China, though a Tokyo paper puts it, a thousand stand of arms sent to the Japanese residents in Korea would enable them to protect themselves against the Koreans. The Japanese papers openly say that the troops have been sent for other purposes than the foregoing—a protest against Chinese intervention in the internal affairs of Korea, and they urge that the Japanese troops ought not to be withdrawn until order has been restored, the Chinese troops recalled, and a guarantee exacted from the Peking Government to abstain in the future from meddling in the domestic policy of Korea. The war party in Japan are more than ready to pick a quarrel with China, and it is pretty evident that a good deal of exasperation exists in Tokyo at the frequent interference at Seoul of the Chinese Resident; but no doubt clever counsels will prevail and an open quarrel will be avoided unless there be some mischievous intriguing in the meantime. Should a collision be precipitated by want of tact or moderation on the part of the officials representing either party in Korea, the result would, we take it, be unfortunate for the Japanese troops are both better disciplined and more plucky than the Chinese; the former a fighting race, are eager to win distinction, and especially anxious to prove their superiority over their ancient rivals. The Japanese navy, which owing to the late important additions to its strength, is superior to that of China, would soon give them the command of the sea, and they would be able to blockade the Korean coast and prevent the landing of reinforcements for the Chinese army, while their own transports would be quickly to throw a large army into the peninsula to support their troops.

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